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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
SELECTMEN, TREASURER  
Town Clerk, School Board and Librarian  
OF THE  
TOWN OF GROTON

FOR THE  
Year Ending February 15, 1912.

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BRISTOL, N. H.  
From the Press of R. W. MUSGROVE  
1912.

# Town Officers

For year ending Feb. 15, 1912

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Selectmen, HERBERT E. DAVIS, CHARLES  
A. DAVIS, ARTHUR N. LEWIS

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Town Clerk, CHARLIE D. JEWELL

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Treasurer, CHARLIE D. JEWELL

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Tax Collector, BARON S. KINNE

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Supervisors, JASPER H. PILLSBURY, CHARLES H.  
WATTS, BARON S. KINNE

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Police, JASPER H. PILLSBURY

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Librarian, BARON S. KINNE

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Overseer of the Poor, BARON S. KINNE

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School Board, ARTHUR N. LEWIS, MARY L.  
MARTIN

## Selectmen's Report

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### Money raised by taxation in 1911:

Town charges	\$600 00
State tax	280 00
County tax	201 80
To get state aid	65 50
Highway money	1,346 24
School money, required by law	300 00
"    raised by district	300 00
School officers	50 00
School supplies	50 00
For High School tuition	100 00
For repairs of school houses	100 00
Overlay	39 63
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	\$3,433 17

### INVENTORY, 1911

Resident valuation, land and buildings	\$49,326 00
Non resident	49,152 00
90 polls	9,000 00
81 horses	6,022 00
38 oxen	2,754 00
106 cows	2,856 00
68 neats	2,190 00
77 sheep	310 00
5 hogs	44 00
Stock in trade	9,080 00

Mills and machinery	\$3,900 00
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	\$134,634 00

### HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

#### District No. 1 :

J. E. Celley, surveyor	\$42 29
J. W. Celley	23 63
Ed. Butterfield	1 75
L. R. Smith	17 05
Fred Churchill	14 00
D. F. Calley	6 13
Carrol Plummer	7 00
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	\$111 85

#### District No. 2 :

Frank Jewell, surveyor	\$42 20
Charles Watts	7 88
W. P. Beede, plank	11 20
Daniel Wheeler	1 75
Fred Remick	3 50
D. F. Celley	5 25
Fred Churchill	3 50
M. W. Rowe, gravel	2 50
C. D. Jewell	1 75
L. R. Smith	4 88
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	\$84 41

Alvah C. Estey, surveyor 1910	14 73
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	\$99 14

#### District No. 3 :

John H. Brown, surveyor	\$41 19
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Samuel Lane	\$25 95
W. H. Hunkins	4 38
George J. Wise	3 50
Charles Watts	9 62
Frank O. Matthews	7 00
Orville Matthews	4 38
Daniel Powers	3 50
W. S. Brown	21 30
W. S. Brown, lumber for bridge	31 80
Frank Jewell	1 75
C. E. Matthews	4 38
C. D. Jewell	1 75

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\$160 50

W. S. H. Remick, breaking road	5 00
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\$165 50

District No. 4 :

W. S. Brown, surveyor	\$33 51
Samuel Lane	9 27
John H. Brown	12 25
George A. Wise	5 25
Frank O. Matthews	8 75
Orville Matthews	1 75
Charles Watts	3 50

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\$74 28

District No. 5 :

Fred Kidder, surveyor	\$63 70
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District No. 6 :

J. H Pillsbury, surveyor	\$122 05
E. P. Bacon	27 18

W. R. Pillsbury	\$16 96
M. Y. Leavitt	29 86
Fred Kidder, plank	10 20
G. C. Craig, logs and posts	8 00
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	\$214 25
J. S. Kelley, surveyor, 1910	5 20
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	\$219 45

## District No. 7 :

Warren A. Elliott, surveyor	\$56 74
E. A. Eastman	7 00
Geo. H. Davis	4 37
W. A. Colburn	5 25
B. S. Kinne	4 38
S. N. Kinne	14 00
E. O. Pierce	1 75
Fred Kidder, planks	17 59
W. D. Stinson, "	9 07
George H. Bowles	18 84
C. A. Davis	8 75
J. N. Kinne, cutting bushes	2 00
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	\$149 74

## District No. 8 :

Harvey Wheet, surveyor	\$26 30
Lee Wheet	7 78
Verne Wheet	7 71
E. O. Pierce.	7 87
F. C. Hall	25 54
Geo. N. Swett	8 22
Lewis Pierce	5 25



H. J. Eastman	\$6 12
J. H. Pillsbury	5 25
Fred Kidder	7 87
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	\$107 91

## Grading by town for culvert:

S. N. Kinne	\$1 58
B. S. Kinne	1 58
C. I. Davis, and team	3 15
Geo. H. Davis	1 58
C. A. Davis	1 58
H. E. Davis	1 58
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	\$11 05

## District No. 9:

H. R. Hall, surveyor	\$22 24
H. I. Thompson	70
W. J. Omand	10 15
Town of Dorchester, road machine	10 60
H. W. Hall	9 01
Osmand Palmer	8 22
C. Palmer	88
Ed. Houle	87
Napoleon Houle	88
Wilbur Hall	52
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	\$64 07

## District No. 10:

George N. Swett, surveyor	\$9 02
H. J. Eastman	88
Harvey Wheet	88
Fred Kidder	2 63

Fred Hall	\$1 75
J. H. Pillsbury	1 75
O. J. Braley, labor and grade	2 11
E. O. Pierce	88
A. W. Ashley, clay	20
Claude Strang	1 92
C. W. Abbott, planks	2 58
Geo. Ashley	70

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\$25 30

O. J. Braley, surveyor 1910	1 05
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\$26 35

District No. 11 :

W. Colburn, surveyor	\$12 24
W. A. Elliott	5 25
E. A. Eastman	5 25

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\$22 74

District No. 12 :

E. A. Eastman, surveyor	\$5 60
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Groton Hollow :

Henry Herbert	\$24 00
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## JOINT STATE HIGHWAY FUND

13 culverts put in at north part	\$150 86
A. M. Freeman, cement and freight	11 20
H. E. Davis, drawing culverts	9 00
H. E. Davis, labor	11 30
C. A. Davis, labor	11 30
C. J. Davis, and team	19 60
G. H. Davis, labor	7 52

B. S. Kinne, labor	\$1 75	
		\$222 53
13 culverts put in at south part	\$150 86	
Merrill & Son, cement and cartage	3 75	
F. O. Matthews, drawing culverts	7 00	
H. N. Lewis, labor	11 86	
C. E. Matthews, and horse	18 38	
F. O. Matthews	14 00	
		\$205 85
		\$428 38
Balance in town treasurer's hands	\$17 09	
Balance in state treasurer's hands	21 37	
		\$38 46
Total joint appropriation		\$466 84

## TOWN OFFICERS PAID

A. N. Lewis, moderator	\$2 00
C. H. Watts, supervisor	4 38
B. S. Kinne, librarian	5 00
" supervisor	2 65
" overseer of poor	6 66
C. A. Davis, fire warden	1 50
C. D. Jewell, town clerk	15 00
" " treasurer	25 00
B. S. Kinne, tax collector	50 00
W. H. Hunkins, assistant librarian	2 50
H. E. Davis, selectman	52 87
C. A. Davis, " "	41 75
A. N. Lewis, " "	40 75

John Brown and C. E. Matthews, auditors	\$3 50
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	\$253 56

## CASH RECEIPTS PAID

Solon A. Carter, state tax	\$280 00
Chas. E. Cooper, county tax	201 80
Charlie D. Jewell, school money	812 29
“ repair money	100 00
“ school officers	50 00
“ supplies	50 00
High school tuition	60 00
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	\$1,554 09

## PAUPER BILLS

A. S. Russell, services to Willoughby boy	\$38 60
M. A. Pillsbury, goods for H. Willoughby	16 22
E. C. Chase, services to Willoughby boy	5 00
M. A. Pillsbury, goods for A. Marston	1 50
G. A. Burley, goods for A. Marston	62
J. E. Celley, nursing A. Marston	33 60
H. E. Davis, services selectmen	4 50
C. A. Davis, “ “	3 50
B. S. Kinne, services overseer of poor	3 50
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	\$107 04

Received from Grafton Co.	\$49 38
“ “ A. Marston estate	\$47 22
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	\$96 60

Due from county	\$10 44
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B. S. KINNE, Overseer of the Poor

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS PAID

Edson C. Eastman, supplies	\$9 56
A. N. Lewis, picking brown-tails	5 70
E. N. Pierson, legalizing town meeting	75
C. A. Davis, picking brown-tails	6 00
H. E. Davis, " "	6 00
express on reports and supplies	50
telephone and postage	2 10
trip to Woodsville and expenses	4 00
trip to Plymouth and expenses	4 60
J. S. Kinne, making deeds	1 50
W. J. Randolph, list of conveyances	1 54
R. W. Musgrove, check lists and reports	31 80
S. E. Lane, picking brown-tails	1 40
C. E. Matthews, boarding Chas. Hart and child	6 00
Ed. Houle, use of water tub two years	4 00
B. S. Kinne, lodging tramp	50
A. F. Wentworth, advice	1 00
W. A. Colburn, sheep killed by dogs	10 00
C. A. Davis, forest fire bill	63 39
B. S. Kinne, library fund	15 00
Independent Hall Asso., rent of hall	4 00
C. D. Jewell, recording births and deaths	1 50
H. E. Davis, expense to Plymouth	1 50
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	\$182 25

The selectmen charge themselves with cash  
received as follows :

Amount committed to collector	\$3,448 97
Savings bank tax	148 61

Literary fund	\$38 28
School     "	40 00
From state on hedgehog bounty	86 00
State highway fund	237 71
County on paupers	49 38
From Albert Marston, est.	47 22
Town clerk, dog license	33 57
State fire warden	31 65
Book sold to school board	75
A. N. Lewis, overpaid on state highway	1 01
In hands of treasurer, 1910	916 66
Josiah Wheet, collector, 1910	1,098 90
J. N. Kinne,         "         1908	4 00
"         "         1909	9 39
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	\$6,192 10

## ABATEMENTS

• J. N. Kinne, collector 1909:	
Joseph Ploof, poll	\$2 61
Chas. Whitcher "	2 61
Willis Keeler	1 01
Josiah Wheet, collector, 1910	
Clarence Bowles, paid in Plymouth	2 75
L. J. Dane, paid in Mass.	2 75
Jim Hogan, poll	2 75
Willis Keeler	2 75
J. T. Moses	2 75
W. H. Moses, paid in Alexandria	2 75
Chas. Whitcher, poll	2 75

Albert Sylvester	\$4 40
B. S. Kinne, collector, 1911	
Egbert Crocker, poll	2 55
Sam Chapman, poll	2 55
Frank Harris        "	2 55
Bill Mack            "	2 55
Wallace Omand      "	2 55
Tomaso Willett, overtax	12 75
J. M. Sayres,        "	7 65
Harold French,      "	10 20
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	\$73 23

#### RECAPITULATION

Town officers	\$253 56
Miscellaneous	182 25
Highways and bridges	1,153 95
Pauper bill	107 04
State Highway	428 38
Abatements	73 23
Bounty on hedgehogs	89 60
State tax	280 00
County tax	201 80
School repairs	180 00
School money	812 29
School supplies	50 00
School officers	50 00
High school tuition	60 00
Over-paid A. N. Lewis, state highway	1 01
In hands of C. D. Jewell, treas., Feb. 15, 1912	1,575 73
In hands of B. S. Kinne, collector, 1911	693 26
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	\$6,192 10

## LIABILITIES, Feb. 15, 1912

Due on joint state highway fund	\$17 09
Joanna Colburn, note	179 04
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	\$196 13

## ASSETS, Feb. 15, 1912

In hands of J. N. Kinne, col., 1908	\$2 00
“ “ 1909	3 11
“ Josiah Wheet, col., 1910	7 65
“ B. S. Kinne, “ 1911	693 26
“ C. D. Jewell, treasurer	1,575 73
Due from joint state highway fund	21 37
Grafton Co. on paupers	10 44
State, on hedgehogs	3 60
Town safe	200 00
Road machine	10 00
Stone drag	3 00
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	\$2,530 16

Liabilities	196 13
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Balance in favor of town Feb. 15, 1912	\$2,334 03
“ “ 1911	2,078 49
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Gain.	\$255 54

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. DAVIS,	} Selectmen of Groton.
CHARLES A. DAVIS,	
ARTHUR N. LEWIS,	



We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. BROWN,  
CHARLES E. MATTHEWS, } Auditors.

# Treasurer's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1912.

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## RECEIPTS

From C. D. Jewell, treasurer 1910	\$916 66
Selectmen, 1911	714 18
Josiah Wheet, collector 1910	1,098 90
J. N. Kinne,       "     1908	4 00
"       "     1909	9 39
B. S. Kinne,       "     1911	2,755 71
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	\$5,498 84

## EXPENDITURES

Paid orders of selectmen, 1 to 144, inclusive	\$3,923 11
In hands of treasurer, Feb. 15, 1912	1,575 73
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	\$5,498 84

Respectfully submitted to the taxpayers of Groton,  
CHARLIE D. JEWELL, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. BROWN,  
CHARLES E. MATTHEWS, } Auditors.

## Library Trustees' Report

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Received of 1910 treasurer	\$32 78
“ town 1911	15 00
“ for fines	22
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Cash in Feb. 15, 1912	\$48 00

Respectfully submitted,

B. S. KINNE, Treasurer.

## Librarian's Report

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Books in circulation, Jan. 1, 1912	992
Patrons, 1911	39
Books read	224
Books added	12

B. S. KINNE, Librarian.

# Report of School Board

FOR 1911.

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The schools for the past year have been as well as could be under the conditions that exist in the town. The school board has to hire young and inexperienced teachers because of the small salaries they can pay. Your school board was very fortunate in securing the teachers they did. The present board is not going to lash the parents because they were so unwise as to hire teachers that did not know enough to teach the youngest pupils in the schools. Such a school is a waste of money, and certainly does not amount to anything, more than to gratify an individual member of the board, with the advice of others, who is able to keep such a teacher in school regardless of what it amounts to or costs. When we have poor school the fault is with the school board and the teacher and nowhere else.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. LEWIS,                    }  
MARY L. MARTIN,            } School  
  } Board.

The school board recommend to the selectmen to assess the following sums of money.

High school tuition	\$60 00
Text books and supplies	50 00

Salaries of district officers

\$50 00

A. N. LEWIS,	} School
MARY L. MARTIN,	
	} Board.

## ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

## ONE TERM

Harold W. Matthews, Ernest E. Matthews, Herbert W. Remick, Warren A. Remick, Nelson A. Lewis, Arthur B. Lewis, Addie H. Powers, Eunice K. Lewis, Lillian M. Remick, Edward J. Hikel, Frederick N. Hikel, Gerald W. Davis, Clayton H. Eastman, Malcom A. Leavett, Rexford E. Wheet, Erville A. Davis.

## FOR ONE YEAR

Clifton E. Brown, Harold P. Brown, Edward J. Hikel, Gerald W. Davis, Erville A. Davis, Lillian M. Remick, Albert E. Matthews, Annie Matthews.

## Statistical Table

No. of District	No. of Terms	Name of Teacher	No. of weeks	No. of pupils each term	Average attendance	No. of pupils not absent	Instances of tardiness	Visits by school board	Visits by citizens and other,	Wages of teachers per month including board
4	1	Harriet L. Wheat....	12	15	11	2	21	3	16	\$32 00
4	1	Carrie A. Kelley ....	12	16	11	5	18	2	2	32 00
8	1	Theo. Cummings....	12	8	7	4	2	3	18	28 00
8	1	Ethel Corliss.....	12	8	7	4	25	3	6	28 00
9	1	Ray H. Muzzey.....	12	22	20	5	2	3	3	32 00
9	1	Ada E. Hale.....	12	20	19	9	9	2	4	32 00
10	1	Lena G. Kidder.....	9	8	7	3	7	2	19	28 00
10	1	"	12	6	4	2	4	3	7	28 00

Whole number of scholars by truant officer's enumeration last Sept. 1911, 34 boys ; 18 girls ; total, 52.

## School Treasurer's Report

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Mrs. Gurney, cleaning schoolhouse	No. 9	\$2 00
Mrs. Muzzey,	" 8	2 00
Harriet Wheat,	" 4	2 00
Ruey Plumer,	" 10	2 00
P. M. Plumer, boarding teacher		14 00
Ray H. Muzzey, teaching, No. 9		96 00
Theo. Cummings,	8	84 00
Harriet Wheat,	4	96 00
Lena G. Kidder,	10	45 00
Fred Kidder, wood for No. 4		2 00
A. N. Lewis, boarding Eastman girl at Rumney		12 25
Essie Willey, boarding teacher, No. 10		2 00
H. L. Ingalls,	" "	2 00
Verner Dicey, drawing wood, No. 9		75
Ada E. Hale, teaching, No. 9		20 00
Ethel Corliss, teaching, No. 8		15 00
J. L. Chase, wood for Nos. 8 and 9		9 75
Fred Kidder, wood for No. 4		2 50
Ethel Corliss, teaching, " 8		69 00
Ada Hall,	" " 9	46 00
Annie Estey, boarding teacher, No. 9		30 00
Lena G. Kidder, teaching No. 10		84 00
Carrie A. Kelley,	" 4	96 00
Bert Eastman, boarding Eastman girl		10 50
Town of Dorchester, tuition		16 50
Groton, order book		75
W. S. H. Remick, wood		1 50



A. N. Lewis postage	\$1 18
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	\$764 68
Received from J. N. Kinne, treasurer, 1910	\$7 02
Town treasurer	812 29
School Board of Orange, tuition	12 00
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	\$831 31
Total expenditures	764 68
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In hands of treasurer, Feb. 15, 1912	\$66 63

## SCHOOL REPAIRS

Received orders on town treasurer	\$180 00
" J. N. Kinne	7 60
" School board, seats sold	3 25
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	\$190 85

## ORDERS PAID

W. B. Martin, freight on seats	\$9 97
P. M. Plumer, repairs	1 30
A. N. Lewis, " No. 9	4 16
" " 4	2 00
" " 4	1 10
F. O. Matthews, drawing seats from Bristol	2 00
A. N. Lewis, flags and paint stock	17 77
L. C. Dane, labor on No. 8	22 00
Verner Dicey, " 8	1 13
Mary L. Martin, seats	111 45
A. A. Remick, flag pole	1 75

Mary L. Martin, freight on chairs	\$1 16
C. D. Jewell, labor, on No. 9	4 30
A. N. Lewis, repairs	3 32
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	\$183 41

In hands of treasurer, Feb. 15, 1912	\$7 44
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## HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

School district of Plymouth, tuition Eva Bacon	\$60 00
Received of school board	60 00

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

H. B. Ferrin, express on supplies	\$1 45
E. E. Babb, supplies	20 31
Mary L. Martin, express	1 00
A. N. Lewis, supplies	2 80
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	\$25 56

Received of school board	\$50 00
“ “ J. N. Kinne, treas. 1910	2 77
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	\$52 77

Total expenditures	25 56
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In treasurer's hands Feb. 15, 1912	\$27 21

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

J. N. Kinne, overdrawn 1910	\$4 75
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P. M. Plummer, member school board	\$3 25
Mary L. Martin, " "	12 00
A. N. Lewis, " "	10 00
" " moderator	1 50
C. D. Jewell, school treasurer	6 00
" " " clerk	1 50
C. H. Watts, truant officer	8 75
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	\$47 75
Received of school board	\$50 00
Total expenditures	<hr/>
	\$47 75
In treasurer's hands, Feb. 15, 1912	\$2 25

CHARLIE D. JEWELL, School Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. BROWN,  
CHARLES E. MATTHEWS, } Auditors.

# Births Registered in the Town of Groton for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1911

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.	Father's Name.	Mother's Maiden Name.	Color.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Feb. 16	Eleanor .....	F..	Living ..	2	All White	Verner Dicey ..	Sarah W Matthews	All White	Groton .....	Teamster .....	Alexandria ..	Groton. ....	.....	.....
June 29	Ray Irving .....	M..	" ..	3		Harry H. Noyes..	Maud I. Stevens..		Wentworth ..	Farmer .....	Lowell, Mass.	Rumney .....	.....	.....
July 30	Walter S .....	M..	" ..	1		Saml. D. Stevens.	Ellie M. Chivel...		Groton .....	Carpenter .....	Dorchester ..	Groton .....	.....	.....
27	.....	M..	" ..	10		George Hikel.....	Freida Corey.....		" ..	Dry goods .....	Syria .....	Syria .....	.....	.....

# Deaths Registered in the Town of Groton for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1911.

Date of Death.	Name.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, Married, or Widowed.	Occupation.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Cause of Death.
		Years.	Months.	Days.										
Apr. 14	Jerome D. L. Hall	58	5	9	Groton	M.	White	M.	Carpenter	Groton	Peacham, Vt.	Reuben Hall	Olive B. Brown	Cancer
Sept. 26	Albert S. Marston	70	...	...	Smithfield, Me.	M.	W.	W.	Farmer	Groton	...	Sherburn Marston	...	Senile Gangrene

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES D. JEWELL, Town Clerk.















